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Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 25, 2011, at 10 a.m.

House of Representatives

Wednesday, January 19, 2011

The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. ROGERS of Alabama).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

> Washington, DC, January 19, 2011.

I hereby appoint the Honorable MIKE ROGERS to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

 $\label{eq:john A. Boehner,} \mbox{\it Speaker of the House of Representatives}.$

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer: The psalmist understands we all approach God in different ways.

Some feel distant and lament:

"How long, O Lord, will You forget us? How long will You hide Your face from us? How long must we be burdened with grief, going about sorrowful all day and throughout the night? How long will our oppression last?"

Then some forget self and readily turn to the Lord:

"Look now and answer us, O Lord our God. Give light to our eyes lest we seem asleep, no longer fully alive but like the dead, lest our opponents say, 'We have overpowered them' and laugh at our downfall."

Still others like ourselves will trust in the Lord:

"For our part, we will trust in Your faithful love. Our hearts will rejoice,

for You will set us free. We will sing of Your goodness to us and bless Your Holy Name, Most High, both now and forever."

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from New Mexico (Mr. HEINRICH) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. HEINRICH led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will entertain up to 15 requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

PASSING THE REPEALING THE JOB-KILLING HEALTH CARE LAW ACT

(Mr. WILSON of South Carolina asked and was given permission to ad-

dress the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, today, the voice of the American people will be heard. The current administration's unconstitutional health care takeover is not the will of the people.

Tea party participants have made a difference.

The current law would cost taxpayers over \$2.6 trillion. It adds to the rising health care cost. The health care take-over is not workable. The National Federation of Independent Business, NFIB, America's largest organization of small businesses, estimates it will eliminate 1.6 million jobs.

Today's vote on Repealing the Job-Killing Health Care Law Act promotes a commonsense approach to the health care issues facing our country. Instead of forcing Americans to comply with a Big Government takeover of health care, repeal will open the discussion of providing affordable care to families, preserving the doctor-patient relationship and protecting jobs.

This is what the American people want the new Congress to achieve. Now is the time to repeal the takeover and to forward a plan that provides for access and affordability.

In conclusion, God bless our troops, and we will never forget September the 11th in the global war on terrorism.

THE JOBS LOOPHOLE IN OUR FREEDOM CONSTRUCT

Mr. JACKSON of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to speak

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